

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI  
EASTERN DIVISION**

KEITH DOWNING, )  
Plaintiff, )  
v. ) No. 4:24-cv-00722-ACL  
FARMINGTON CORRECTIONAL )  
CENTER, )  
Defendant. )

## **MEMORANDUM AND ORDER**

This matter is before the Court upon review of an undated three-page handwritten letter titled “Formal Complaint Regarding Harassment and Insults,” received by the Court on May 23, 2024, which the Court will construe as a prisoner civil right action.<sup>1</sup> The complaint is defective because it has not been drafted on a Court-provided form. *See E.D. Mo. L.R. 2.06(A)* (“All actions brought by self-represented plaintiffs or petitioners should be filed on Court-provided forms”). Additionally, plaintiff has neither paid the filing fee nor filed an application to proceed in the district court without prepaying fees or costs. *See 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a).*

Accordingly,

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the Clerk is directed to mail to plaintiff (1) a copy of the Court's prisoner civil rights complaint form and (2) a copy of the application to proceed in district court without prepaying fees or costs.

<sup>1</sup> Plaintiff attached to this complaint many correspondence and affidavits, which the Court has filed as attachments to the complaint.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that plaintiff must either pay the \$405 filing fee or submit the application to proceed in district court without prepaying fees or costs within twenty-one (21) days of the date of this Order.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that plaintiff must file an amended complaint on the Court-provided form within twenty-one (21) days of the date of this Order.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** if plaintiff fails to comply with this Order, the Court will dismiss this action without prejudice and without further notice to plaintiff.

Dated this 28<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024.



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ABBIE CRITES-LEONI  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE